

Frequently Asked Questions

Delaware Women's Hall of Fame

Who are the members of the Delaware Women's Hall of Fame?

The list of Hall of Fame inductees can be found [here](#). Before nominating someone to the Delaware Women's Hall of Fame, please check the list.

What should I do to put together a strong application?

Please be sure that your answers on the nomination form cover all the key elements found on the [scoring rubric](#). It's also important to include quality documentation to support your nomination form. For example, do you have any newspaper articles, descriptions of other awards received, or other metrics of success to describe your nominee's impact? In the case of a posthumous nominee, an obituary of the person you are nominating could also be helpful. Overall, the more details you can provide, the better.

The person I want to nominate has never been acknowledged publicly for her work. She's not a "big name" that the committee would recognize. Should I bother nominating her?

Absolutely! The Delaware Women's Hall of Fame strives for inclusivity and diversity to recognize women from a variety of backgrounds – artists, business leaders, community service volunteers, politicians, teachers, public servants, athletes, and more – including those who have flown under the radar and who have not previously received recognition from awards.

Can I include supporting materials as part of my application?

Supporting information may be included but is not required. Examples include: a photo, curriculum vitae, links to articles, links to obituaries, and/or a list of awards and honors received by the nominee. Email these materials to DelawareWomenHOF@delaware.gov.

Can multiple people nominate the same person?

Yes, but the applications will be put together for evaluation purposes.

The person I nominated was not selected. Should I consider nominating them again in the future?

Yes! It is common for honorees to be nominated for several years before they are selected. Please be sure that your answers on the nomination form cover all the key elements found on the [scoring rubric](#). It's also important to include quality documentation to support your nomination form. For example, do you have any newspaper articles, descriptions of other awards received, or other metrics of success to describe your nominee's impact? In the case of a posthumous nominee, an obituary of the person could also be helpful. Overall, the more details you can provide, the better.

Is there a minimum age requirement?

No, but nominees are only eligible if they made an important and lasting impact upon the lives of Delawareans, and if they have resided in the state for at least 10 years during their lifetime.

When will the application process be open for 2021 and when will it close?

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the application cycles for both 2020 and 2021 have been completed and nominees for both cycles have been chosen.

I probably can't finish the application in one sitting. How do I save it as I go along?

Please keep in mind that the application form cannot be saved as you work on it. We suggest writing your answers in a word document and saving them as you go. Once you are happy with your answers, copy and paste them into the form to submit the application.

When will I find out if the person I nominated was selected?

In July the Office of Women's Advancement and Advocacy will notify all nominators via email about the status of their nomination. The people who are nominated are not notified (unless the nominee used the self-nomination form). If you have not received an email by August, please contact us at 302-577-8970 or email us at DelawareWomenHOF@delaware.gov.

What if I need help with the application process?

Please call the Office of Women's Advancement & Advocacy for assistance at 302-577-8970 or email us at DelawareWomenHOF@delaware.gov.

How are the applications evaluated?

The Delaware Women's Hall for Fame Committee uses this [scoring rubric](#) in order to evaluate the applications.

Who evaluates the applications?

The members of the Delaware Women's Hall of Fame Committee. The Committee is made up of seven members, representing all three counties and the City of Wilmington, who serve for various term lengths, and are appointed by the Governor, Speaker of the House, and President Pro Tempore of the State Senate.

I would like to serve on the Hall of Fame of Delaware Women Committee. What is the process for serving?

The Committee is made up of seven members, representing all three counties and the City of Wilmington, who serve for various term lengths, and are appointed by the Governor, Speaker of the House, and President Pro Tempore of the State Senate. Please note that non-appointed members can still help with the Hall of Fame by attending the public meetings and serving on subcommittees. The meetings are open to the public and are listed [here](#).

When is the Delaware Women's Hall of Fame induction ceremony?

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, both the 2020 and 2021 induction ceremonies will take place in 2021. Please check the Office of Women's Advancement & Advocacy's website for the latest event information.

In order to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, do I have to attend the induction ceremony?

Inductees are required to attend the induction ceremony, unless the nomination is done posthumously. It is the committee's preference to delay induction, rather than honor someone who cannot attend. In rare circumstances (e.g., medical condition), the committee will make exceptions on a case-by-case basis for the award to be accepted on behalf of another person.

I am interested in sponsoring the Hall of Fame of Delaware Women. Who should I talk to about sponsorship?

Please call the Office of Women's Advancement & Advocacy Director Melanie Ross Levin at 302-577-8970 or email melanie.rosslevin@delaware.gov.

Can I volunteer at the Delaware Women's Hall of Fame?

Yes! Please contact the Office of Women's Advancement & Advocacy Director Melanie Ross Levin at 302-577-8970 or DelawareWomenHOF@delaware.gov. Volunteers get a complimentary ticket to enjoy the event and help with greeting, check-in and seating.